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<u>X</u> =

State =

Date =

Dear

This responds to a letter dated May 25, 2010, and subsequent correspondence, submitted on behalf of \underline{X} , requesting a ruling under § 1362(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Facts</u>

 \underline{X} was formed on $\underline{Date\ 1}$ as a limited liability company under the laws of \underline{State} . \underline{X} intended to file a Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation, effective $\underline{Date\ 1}$. Due to inadvertence, \underline{X} 's Form 2553 was not filed timely. Accordingly, \underline{X} requests a ruling that it will be recognized as an S corporation effective $\underline{Date\ 1}$.

Law and Analysis

Section 1362(a)(1) provides that a small business corporation may elect to be an S corporation.

Section 1362(b)(1) provides that an election under § 1362(a) may be made by a small business corporation for any taxable year (A) at any time during the preceding taxable year, or (B) at any time during the taxable year and on or before the 15th day of the third month of the taxable year.

Section 1362(b)(3) provides that if a small business corporation makes an election under § 1362(a) for any taxable year, and the election is made after the 15th day of the third month of the taxable year and on or before the 15th day of the third month of the following taxable year, then the election is treated as made for the following taxable year.

Section 1362(b)(5) provides that if an election under § 1362(a) is made for any taxable year (determined without regard to § 1362(b)(3)), after the date prescribed by § 1362(b) for making the election for the taxable year or no § 1362(a) election is made for any taxable year, and the Secretary determines that there was reasonable cause for the failure to timely make the election, then the Secretary may treat the election as timely made for the taxable year (and § 1362(b)(3) shall not apply).

Conclusion

Based solely on the information submitted and representations made, we conclude that \underline{X} has established reasonable cause for failing to timely make an S corporation election. Thus, we conclude that \underline{X} is eligible for relief under § 1362(b)(5). Accordingly, if \underline{X} makes an election to be an S corporation by filing with the appropriate service center a completed Form 2553 within 120 days following the date of this letter, containing an effective date of $\underline{Date\ 1}$, the election shall be treated as timely made. A copy of this letter should be attached to the Form 2553 filed with the service center. A copy is enclosed for that purpose.

Except as expressly provided herein, no opinion is expressed or implied concerning the tax consequences of any aspect of any transaction or item discussed or referenced in this letter. Specifically, no opinion is expressed or implied concerning whether \underline{X} otherwise qualifies as an S corporation for federal tax purposes.

This ruling is directed only to the taxpayer requesting it. Section 6110(k)(3) provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

In accordance with the power of attorney on file with this office, a letter is being sent to the taxpayer's authorized representatives.

The ruling contained in this letter is based upon information and representations made by the taxpayer and accompanied by a penalty of perjury statement executed by an appropriate party. While this office has not verified any of the material submitted in support of the ruling request, it is subject to verification on examination.

Sincerely,

Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs & Special Industries)

/s/

By:

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